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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed November 9, 2007 and supplements the Amendment and Response filed October 11, 2007 in response to the Office Action mailed July 12, 2007, in connection with the above-identified application.

In response to the Office Action mailed July 12, 2007, Claims 21-26 stand currently pending, with claims 27-37 withdrawn pursuant to restriction requirement.

Claims 1-20 were previously cancelled. Please cancel claims 24-26 and amend claims 21-22 as reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows: